

Table 1: Sample Means

Origin	Whole Sample	Moved in 1900	Did not Move in 1900
Occscore_1897	31.36 (11.81)	32.36 (12.43)	30.73 (11.44)
Occscore_1900	16.44 (16.68)		26.72 (13.29)
SEI_1897	41 (26.49)	41.78 (26.43)	40.76 (26.68)
SEI_1900	20.53 (27.11)		33.37 (27.69)
Change in Occscore(1900-1897)			-4.0125 (11.22)
Change in SEI(1900-1897)			-7.38 (22.98)
Move	0.38 (0.48)		
Observations	130	50	80

Source: All Black Business Listed in the Business Section of the Wilmington city Directory in 1900 and 1897. An individual is defined as moving if he/she is not in the city directory or individual directory. Standard Deviations are in parenthesis

The variables for black business owners show that the average OCCSCORE between 1897 and 1900 decreased by 4.7 points and the average SEI score decreased by 8.5 points. Means were also calculated for blacks who did not move after the riots. The OCCSCORE and SEI score variables fell for individuals that remained in the city after the riot. These differences in means may suggest that the riot had a negative impact on the overall socioeconomic status of black business owners listed in the business section of the directory.

Complete Directory

In order to get a better view of the changes in socioeconomic status for the entire population, a data set containing every observation in the 1897 and 1900 City Directory was used. Analyzing the entire directory, including whites, allows for comparisons across races. If the occupational status of blacks declined significantly in relation to whites, this